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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION ACTION

In response to the Official Action dated June 5, 2003, wherein the Examiner has required an election of claims, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute in the present

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application the claims of Group I, i.e. claims 1-8, drawn to a device for hybridization reaction. This election is made without prejudice to Applicants' right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Applicants have complied with the sole requirement in the Office Action and now respectfully request an action on the merits of at least the elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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